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Letter dated 29 March 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the French and English versions of a communiqué of the Presidency on behalf of the European Union on Burundi, issued on 25 March 1994.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 170, and of the Security Council.

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Annex

[Original: English and French]

Declaration of the European Union on Burundi issued on 25 March 1994

The European Union notes that the situation is deteriorating in Bujumbura, where repeated confrontations between civilian militias and the forces of order are causing many victims, especially among the unarmed and innocent people of the two ethnic groups. The European Union condemns this violence, which, sustained by extremist elements among those in power and among the members of the opposition and the forces of order, is endangering the institutions of law and order in Burundi, so patiently and courageously set up by the democratic forces of the country.

The European Union appeals urgently to all members of Burundi society to end this violence and make every effort to achieve the necessary national reconciliation and the preservation of the safety of all Burundi's people under democratic law.